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Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A.
Chapman, V.D.

LEAVE.

Capt. G. R. Stewart is granted leave
of absence from 26.4.16 to 26.4.17.

PROMOTIONS.

Pte. J. M. Walker, Scouts Co., to be
Lance Corporal, dated 20.4.16.

ATTACHMENTS.

LeCapt. J. M. Walker and Pte. C. F.
Malby, Scouts Co., are attached to the
Signalling Section for instructional
purposes from this date until further notice.

PARADES.

Parades for Friday, 21st, Saturday,
22nd, Sunday, 23rd, and Monday, 24th
Nil.

Parades for Tuesday, 25th:
5.10 p.m. Centre Section, M.G. Co.
(Kowloon residents only)—M. G. drill at
Kowloon Barracks.

5.30 p.m. Artillery Battery—Inspection
of arms, ammunition, equipment and
uniform at Headquarters. Dress
etc.—Khaki drill jacket and shorts,
great coat (rolled), puttees, black boots
belts (cap) to be carried, rifle, slings,
ammunition, bayonet, belt, mess tin, four
pouches, 150 rounds ball ammunition,
haversack and water bottle. At this
parade two shirts will be issued to each
member of the Battery. Every member
(including belchers men) must attend.

5.30 p.m. Right Section, M. G. Co.—
Musket exercises and bayonet fighting
at Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. Centre Section, M. G. Co.—
(Hongkong residents)—M. G. drill at
Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. Left Section, M. G. Co.—
Machine Gun instruction on Kennedy
Road Range.

5.30 p.m. N.C.O.s of Scouts Co.—
Special drill at Headquarters under S.
M. Higg.

5.30 p.m. Recruits of all units—Squad
drill and rifle exercises at Headquarters
under Sergt. Longmire.

5.30 p.m. Signalling Section, "A," "B"
and "C" Classes—Practice at Head-
quarters.

Two members of the Signalling Section
will attend at King's Park Range for
Telephone duty on Monday, 24th inst. at
5.30 a.m.

The Scouts Co. will parade outside the
Law Courts at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday
25th inst. and proceed to Happy Valley
by train for Company drill.

DETAIL.

On duty to-night Right Section, M. G.
Co.

Orderly Officer until to-morrow
morning Lieut. Wright.

Next for duty H.K.V.R.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Walsman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

DETAIL.

On duty from the morning of Friday
the 21st instant to the morning of Friday
the 24th instant—"B" Co. Great coats to
be worn on banded over the right
shoulder.

Orderly Officer for the same period—
Lieut. B. R. Branch.

PARADES FOR WEEK ENDING 25TH INST.
Monday, 24th inst. Nil.

Tuesday, 25th inst. "A" Co. on the
road outside the Law Courts at 5.15 p.m.
Dress: drill order. Signalling Section at
Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m.
Uniform to be worn.

Wednesday, 26th inst. Recruits on the
Cricket Ground under Drill Instructor
Sergt. Oakberry at 6 p.m. Dress: drill
order. N.C.O.s class of instruction on
the Cricket Ground at 6 p.m. Dress:
clean fatigue.

Thursday, 27th inst. Recruits on the
Cricket Ground under Drill Instructor
Sergt. Oakberry at 6 p.m. Dress: drill
order. Machine Gun Section at Well-
ington Barracks under Lieut. Thornhill
at 5.30 p.m. Dress: drill order.

Friday, 28th inst. "B" Co. Kowloon
Dock and Takoo Sections on the Polo
Ground at 5.30 p.m. Remainder on the
road outside the Law Courts at 5.15
p.m. Dress: drill order. Signalling
Section at Volunteer Headquarters at
5.15 p.m. Uniform to be worn.

Saturday, 29th inst. Nil.

SUNDAY.

Pte. T. Hyatt, having joined, is
allotted Corps No. 108 and posted to Co.
"B" Platoon No. 4, Section 4.

Pte. E. B. Raymond is permitted to
resign.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

PARADES.

There will be no Parades of any kind
during the week commencing Monday,
April 24th, other than the Company
Parades ordered for April 26th, 27th,
and 28th.

WHITE UNIFORM.

Summer Uniform, Cap without Cover,
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(Sgt.) F. C. JONES,
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10 P.M. KINSHAN. 3 P.M. FATSHAN.

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10 P.M. FATSHAN. 3 P.M. KINSHAN.

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EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 23rd APRIL.

The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN,"

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 A.M.
and return from Macao at 5 P.M.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at
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INTIMATIONS

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, 27th April 1916, at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 11, 1916. 520

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary on WEDNESDAY the 27th May 1916, at 12 o'clock noon. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 31st May, 1916, inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 15, 1916. 549

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Limited, will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary, No. 16, Pedder Street, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th May 1916, at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

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INTIMATIONS

RANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE RANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 21st, 22nd and 23rd instant.

Hongkong, April 18, 1916. 554

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

THIS is to notify, that on and after this date, I refuse to be responsible for any debts incurred by my wife, Mrs. JOHN JAMES STUBBINGS, unless authorised by myself.

JOHN JAMES STUBBINGS.

Hongkong, April 19, 1916. 552

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on SATURDAY, the 29th April 1916, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Office of the Secretary, on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club, 40, ANNEX, CHATER ROAD.

By Order,

T. F. HUGHES,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, April 15, 1916. 541

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

EARLY MORNING GOLF.

A BALL played on in any portion of the Sand Trap, Green Trap, or in the Ditch on both sides of the said Tracks must be lifted and dropped in the fairway not nearer to the hole, under penalty of one stroke.

The Local Rule applies only to Early Morning Golf, and has been introduced to avoid annoyance to riders and ponies on the track.

Players are requested to keep their caddies off the rails when ponies are passing.

The above Local Rule is applicable to the P.A. Cup when competed for in the early morning.

By Order of the

THE COMMITTEE.

Hongkong, April 11, 1916. 529

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

A FINAL DIVIDEND of TWENTY DOLLARS and a BONUS of TEN DOLLARS per Share for the year 1915 and an Interim Dividend of Thirty Dollars per Share for the year 1916 will be payable on TUESDAY, the 18th instant.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,

General Manager.

Hongkong, April 18, 1916. 550

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THE WORLD'S INDEBTEDNESS TO ENGINEERS.

Since the days of the Romans, whose motto was that the three essentials to civilisation were roads, more roads, and still more, the close connection between cheap transport and the amenities and indeed, the necessities of society, has been realised, but much more clearly by the engineer and business man than by the public at large. In fact, ignorant publicists have been known to aver that the masses of the people have derived no benefit whatever from the work of the engineer, which has made it possible to transport meat some 8000 to 12,000 miles, from New Zealand or the Argentine, and enables wheat grown west of Winnipeg to find its way into British soils. One hundred and fifty years ago, when the world was a vast, almost unexplored wilderness, the food could not be profitably conveyed by land, and though sea freights were much cheaper than land carriage, imported goods could not find their way far from the coast of entry, save at rates prohibitive to all but the more wealthy class of commodities. The cost was too high, and the present day is extraordinary, and though much, no doubt, yet remains to be done, it is most unlikely that any equally striking step forward can be made in the next years, if we can look for a steady step-by-step improvement, and this applies with special emphasis to the problem of marine transport. In normal times this is extraordinarily cheap, but there is nevertheless a sustained endeavour to reduce still further operating costs. A few years ago there was a feeling somewhat prevalent that for marine propulsion the future lay with the Diesel engine, but further experience has proved that this type of motor is desirable only in somewhat special circumstances. Indeed, some engineers claim that even where oil fuel is available, it is now more profitable to use this under boilers than to install Diesel engines even of moderate size. Of course, in the case of very large powers, the Diesel engine is admittedly inferior, all things considered, to the steam-turbine.

It is, nevertheless, of interest to note that Messrs. Burmeister and Wain are reported to have received orders for motor-ships, which will keep them occupied till the end of 1921. Included in the list are six ships of 12,500 tons deadweight, having motors of 5000 horse-power.

The very high economies realised with the steam turbine in land installations have naturally initiated inquiries into how far similar results may be obtainable at sea. A few years ago engineers had by no means abandoned the hope of devising an efficient high-speed propeller, thus abolishing the "clap" which the standard type had established on the speed of rotation needed to secure an efficient turbine. This anticipation appears now to have been abandoned, and, indeed, the recent elucidation of the propeller theory, which has been effected by those interested in aerial navigation, gives reason for belief that the idea is little likely to be resuscitated. All hopes are now centred upon the introduction of some kind of reduction gear, mechanical, electrical, or hydraulic, between the turbine and the propeller-shaft. The first named has the advantage of a very high efficiency. The electric and the hydraulic systems are less efficient per se, but have some compensating advantages. Moreover, the claim is made that they will permit of the use of a more economical steam plant than can be adopted with mechanical gears—Engineering.

The Court of Appeal decided that William Huxley, the jockey, could be assessed for income-tax, although he is under 21 years old and has no guardian.

The Inland Revenue Commissioners appealed from a judgment of Justice Riddell, Lush, and Low prohibiting the Commissioners from proceeding with an assessment for income-tax on Huxley's earnings, which were said to amount to £2,000 a year.

The Master of the Bells said, in his view, Huxley was "essentially" and the appeal would be allowed.

SECRETS OF THE SEA.

FIRST UNDERWATER FILM PICTURES TAKEN.

One of the most remarkable series of motion pictures, seen in London was shown recently by the Trans-Atlantic Film Company, Ltd., and Chevalier A. Bouché, at a private view in the Philharmonic Hall, Great Portland Street.

The films are the pictorial record of the work of the Williamson Expedition to secure submarine motion pictures, and the pictures were taken in the depths of the Atlantic Ocean among the Bahama Islands. This was made possible by two ingenious inventions of the brothers George and Ernest Williamson, sons of Capt. Charles Williamson, himself an inventor as well as a seaman, of Norfolk, Virginia.

There are a submarine photographic chamber and a deep-sea electric lighting installation which enables cinematograph photographs to be taken underwater both by day and night.

Among the pictures shown were studies of natives of the Bahamas far down under water diving for conch shells. Their bodies, thrown up, weird and green among the fishes in the light of the battery of 2500 candle power Cooper-Hewitt mercury vapour lamps, which are lowered into the sea for night photography. More interesting was the special of all sorts of strange fish in their deepest haunts, including one with markings that bear a curious resemblance to the American flag. A long film records an underwater trip which the Governor of the Bahamas and Lady Haddon-Smith made in the submarine chamber from Nassau to the island of San Salvador.

Among other things it shows strangely beautiful coral formations, submarine meadows and gardens, with shoals of queer fish swimming and feeding among the sea-groves, a submarine forest, the discovery of the wreck of a black-pine runner of 1863, and the coral foundations of Watling Island (San Salvador). Other pictures show sponge-gathering in the deep and the exploration of the old wreck, and there is a final thrilling one of an undersea fight between a man and a blue shark, which ends with the death of the shark.

How THE PICTURES WERE TAKEN.

The Williamson invention for securing submarine pictures consists of a flexible tube 60 ft. long and 3 ft. in diameter, which passes into the water from a barge or ship with a specially-constructed well in the bottom. The tube is composed of a series of concentric bands of malleable iron, which are joined by a scale of plates hinged together, the metal skeleton being covered with a waterproof fabric of canvas and rubber. This forms a vertical passage-way down which a man may climb like a ladder. It has the strength to resist water pressure and the flexibility that is essential, since a rigid tube would be broken if dragged beneath a moving vessel.

At its lower end the tube expands into a spherical observation chamber 5 ft. in diameter, one side of which is fitted with a large funnel-shaped window with glass of special thickness and clearness. This observation chamber is made of cast-iron, weighs four tons, and is raised and lowered by chains, which control its position according to the wishes of the photographer. The tube above closes up like a camera, and as the chamber is lowered to greater depths its bottom folds are squeezed together by the pressure of water until at considerable depths a section of the tube that would be 1 ft. long when fully extended is compressed into about 3 ft.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Good Friday.
Public Holiday.
9.15 p.m.—Sacred Music at St. John's
Cathedral in aid of Charity.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 22.—

Public Holiday.

SUNDAY, April 23.—

Easter Day.

St. George's Day.

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by s.s.
"Taihan".

MONDAY, April 24.—

Public Holiday.

Rifle Shooting at King's Park between
Regular and Auxiliary Forces.

TUESDAY, April 25.—

3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.

THURSDAY, April 27.—

Noon.—China Fire Ins. Co.'s Meeting.

SATURDAY, April 29.—

Noon.—H.K. Jockey Club's Meeting.

VISITING CARDS

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China Mail Office.

six weeks ago, Mr. STONE, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, described the President's attitude in these words: "If a German submarine were to sink a belligerent merchantman, Germany would consider this a lawful act, and would be disposed to hold Germany strictly accountable, and if Germany persisted in her attitude he would be disposed to sever relations with Germany and submit the matter to Congress which, under the Constitution, is the war-making body." This stage of the discussion has now been reached and the result of the deliberations of the joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives, which the President has convened to consider the final Note to Germany on the subject, will be awaited throughout the world with eager interest.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-morrow being Good Friday there will be no issue of the *China Mail* on that day.

The number of cases in the Magistracy during 1915 was 12,263 compared with 11,634 in 1914, and the revenue was \$75,130.13 as compared with \$92,109.34 for 1914.

The Hon. Mr. E. S. Sherrin has kindly presented prizes for the best Team and Individual scores in the Inter-Services shoot to be held at King's Park Range on Easter Monday.

The ladies of the Union Church Work party sent several parcels of socks, shirts, and articles for Hospital use by the English Mail, to Col. Gordon Hall, R.A.M.C., Headquarters, Abyssinia, Cairo.

When the Canadian Pacific Co.'s s.s. *Edinboro* of Japan arrived at Nagasaki on the morning of the 10th from Shanghai en route to Vancouver, two cases of small-pox—foreign children—were found in the first-class and the ship was disinfected before going up the harbour, her departure for Kobe being delayed several hours.

The Japanese papers state that the hull insurance of the *Chimo Maru* amounts to Yen 4,000,000 by a London Company through the Tokyo Marine Insurance Co. Another statement in the Japanese Press is that the Board of Directors of the T.K.K. instructed the Captain to abandon the steamer. In reply, the Captain telegraphed that although the steamer was in danger of sinking there was still room for salvage operations if the weather improved. The Board of Directors therefore determined to continue the salvage operations and to despatch Engineer Kageyama with the salvage boat *Koiki Maru*.

Seasholders are requested to be in their seats in good time at the Oratorio Selections which will be given in St. John's Cathedral at 9.15 to-morrow (Good Friday) evening by a choir of over eighty voices. The soloists are Miss White, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Owen, Miss Wilkes, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. A. W. Armstrong, Mr. H. E. Muriel, Mr. J. W. White, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, Mr. C. Tucker, Mr. A. N. Bortles and Mr. A. J. England. The collection will be divided between the fund for blind soldiers and sailors and the Cathedral Organ Fund; last year the collection at St. John's "Last Judgment" amounted to just over \$650—the record for the Cathedral—and it is hoped a similarly large amount will be obtained on this occasion.

B.A.T. PACIFIC SERVICE.

The British-American Tobacco Company is reported to have acquired a fleet of steamers that is soon to be put in service on the Pacific. Four big modern boats are to be put on the run first. An agent for the B.A.T. steamer line has already been appointed at Shanghai.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

	3 p.m.
Banks	\$737 1/2
Sugars	112 1/2
Douglases	385 1/2
Indos (pref.)	40 1/2
Indos (def.)	126 1/2
Wharfs	72 1/2
Docks	32 1/2
Concrete	97 1/2
Langkats	31 1/2

THE FRUIT SEASON.

POWELL'S complaint is sure to be prevalent during the fruit season. Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand. It is a sure cure. For sale by all Chemists and Grocers.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[BEFORE HIS HONOUR THE CHIEF JUSTICE.]

ALLEGED SEDITION.

CHARGED EDITOR TAKES OF THE "DEVIL OF FALSHOOD."

Charged with publishing matter calculated to excite disorder in China, in a vernacular organ known as *Yin Cheung Po*, a Chinese Editor named Wong Hon Tau, pleaded not guilty.

Mr. G. N. Orme Crown Prosecutor, appeared on behalf of the Crown and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardner, defended. The jury was:—
E. L. Howe, E. H. Ray, J. M. Soares, F. N. V. Ribeiro Junr, L. G. Ribeiro, J. H. Mead, E. R. Smith.

The articles complained of appeared January 11th last and were as under:—
LONG TAI KWONG HAS FLED.

[BY HIS HONOUR.]

Now the Government of the nation has been misled by the influential traitor and we can prophesy the date of the destruction of the nation. Uprightness has all disappeared and the name of wickedness has broken out all of a sudden. This will surely bring horror to the heart of all who are men, and make their faces blue. What should we do for the salvation of our nation? Lung and Cheung have sided with the rebel and devoted their energies to the oppression of the people. In order to fasten that one man, they care nothing for the reality that may befall the whole province of Kwangtung, but have bought the services of men to support them in all actions detrimental to righteousness, with the result that the majestic metropolis of the Province is filled with gloomy portents of destruction. They have accumulated their poison on the top of the "Kun Yam" Hill and centralized their troops at the foot of the City of "Yeung" (Canton), treating the people and the country as their enemies. During the last few days the troops of righteousness have everywhere arisen, but relying on their defended position they are still ready to try the test of arms and make it appear that they will never be ready to leave Kwangtung until it has been entirely ruined. What great animosity those brigands have against Kwangtung! and how unkindly our Kwangtung has been in falling in with those brigands! Now numbers of urgent telegraphic reports have been received from various districts, and we have constantly heard of victories of the Revolutionary Army. It is perhaps the plan of the Republican Army to assault various districts first before they attack Canton, so as to make Lung and Cheung helpless and exhaust their power, but leave them a road to escape, in order that the dense population of Canton may not be involved in the calamity of deep water and hot fire. We people can only pray that the brigands will make away without killing anybody or causing bloodshed, which would indeed be a great boon. But destructive work is work that should be done only when very necessary. Now supposing the rebellious brigands all take to flight and republicanism is restored, all the existing people will be busy in strengthening the province, and there will not be any disturbance. Being however, in a strategic position and a defended corner, the brigands practise wickedness and indulge in oppression. Indeed the longer they are allowed to remain, the more the life and property of us people will be endangered, and the longer the traitors are cherished, the sooner the change of disturbance and danger will draw near. Take this as an illustration. They have gathered wandering rascals and beggars, to whom they gave military uniforms, and sharp weapons, allowing them every day to disturb us people and to indulge in opium-smoking and gambling. They have also afforded them special protection and suffered them to live on the wealth of the people. All this was merely intended for the security of their own interests and honours, but no regard whatever was paid to the injury that was done to the general population. Now since they would brave death for a single man and put to death any person who differs from them in opinion, if we do not condescend to the people and punish their crime, we can never protect our own person, and still less can we ever establish our nation. In this 20th century in which the power of the people has much developed, should anybody practise autocracy over the people and indulge in oppression, making it every day his business to subdue the people, the history of the East and West shows that trouble is bound to follow. How much more will disturbance arise, when those brigands in support of a single man, stir up the storm (of trouble) and fan up the flame (of wickedness) against the people? Now the Heaven-sent troops of vengeance have set forth to punish such a ruler as was "Kil" or "Tau", and before long the great soul of the embryo false Emperor will go back to Heaven. The Military and Civil Governors in most of the provinces have surrendered on the approach of our troops, and all the people who formerly supported and cried blindly in favour of monarchy, have now disappeared leaving no trace, and become silent. How is it that those wicked rascals still hope to rely on their defended position and to offer us opposition? In the night of the 7th inst., realizing that his troops had changed their mind, and

that their righteousness could not be copied with, one of the two brigands hurriedly rushed out and fled like a rat. The Brigand who fled on the 10th of the 9th moon of the "San Hoi" year still hopes to combine all his men to do evil to our Kwangtung. Unless we rid ourselves of him as an early date, that brigand alone will be responsible, if— which Heaven forbid—trouble arises in the future. "But," someone says, "in the San Hoi year that brigand declared that he would die for the City just as the brigand who has now fled has declared; but his traces were nowhere to be found, when the first sign of the Righteous Troops appeared." Will, then, that brigand be a fugitive criminal for a second time?

The second article contained the following:—
"Who is Yuan Shi Kai? He is a false man. During the false Ching Dynasty beginning service as false Taotai he became false Viceroys of Chihli and was further admitted to the rank of false Minister in the Cabinet. Later his false-mess met with a set back and he was allowed to go back to his native home of falsehood. He was taken back by the Manchus. He led a false army to attack Wu-chang, but surely after he forced (the Emperor) of the false (Ching) dynasty to abdicate the throne and by means of falsehood he obtained the position of President. He then greatly developed his false-mess producing real despotism under the false pretext of Republicanism. The officials became entirely tainted with his evil habit of falsehood and one followed another's mistake of practising falsehood. He manipulated the population in his own order to enable himself to become a false Emperor and by false decrees he conferred false honours on all officials, and the latter returned thanks for his false favour by false "kowtowing." Yuan hoped to tranquillise and pacify Yunnan by his skill in falsehood and having failed in his plan he further had false proclamations issued in the name of the Chief Officials of the various provinces denouncing the Yunnan rising and threatening its (rebel) army. Being unsuccessful in his attempt to become a false Emperor he may well become a false traitor, and cause the world to smile at his falseness for ever."

The Crown Prosecutor said the prisoner was charged under an Ordinance of 1907 the object of which was to enable the authorities of the Colony to deal with persons who published matter which would have a tendency to create internal dissensions in China to which the Colony was to some extent an appendage and likely to become a refuge for people who were dissatisfied with the policy of that country.

Mr. Orme went on to suggest that the word "traitor," referred to Yuan Shi Kai.

Mr. Jenkin interposed, submitting that the Prosecuting Counsel could not explain to the jury what was his own opinion. If he was going to interpret the article Mr. Jenkin submitted that Prosecuting Counsel would have to call evidence.

The Chief Justice said that was the only way that the Crown could prove its case. His lordship did not think evidence would have to be adduced. It was merely the suggestion of the advocate for the Crown. The Ordinance was a unique one and so far as he knew had no parallel in any part of the world.

Mr. Jenkin: If you say that a unique ordinance gives a unique practice by Counsel, I will say no more.

Mr. Orme said if there was any obscurity, he would be loath to express his own opinion.

Proceeding with the case, for the Crown, Mr. Orme said they had no reason to doubt that the Government of China was in the hands of the President Yuan Shi Kai, and by "influential traitor" Yuan, he submitted, was cleared indicated. During the last few months there had been a rebellion in certain provinces. Cheung, who was the Civil Governor of Kwangtung, was no longer in office. Things are very much in the melting pot, and went on Prosecuting Counsel: "I shall be in some doubt as to what exists as authority now. Counsel thought the word 'brigands' referred to Lung and Cheung."

The Chief Justice commented on the frequency with which the word "false" appeared in the second article and asked if the word in Chinese was the same all through. Prosecuting Counsel answered "Yes" adding that it was a sort of refrain. He went on to comment of the "falsity of the devil."

The Chief Justice wittily observed that the word devil was also a term of endearment applied by the Chinese to foreign residents (laughter).

Mr. Orme said he had quite forgotten that. The word did not mean anything but he thought the Chinese really misunderstood the word. They said "fan kwai," but just meant something strange.

Continuing Mr. Orme said it would be for the jury to decide if the articles were calculated to create disorder. All sorts of disorder were rapidly spread by those who were new to the study of politics and did not really understand the difficulties a Government had to face in organisations which were just in their infancy. Articles of that description would cause disorders, tumults and probably rebellions if they were not checked and it was the duty of the Colony to a friendly power to assist as far as was in their power the de facto rulers of the country and particularly by checking any seditious publications, which were likely to cause dissension. He would not like to lay down that the officials of Kwangtung justified any of the evil remarks made about them in those articles. Since the articles were written rebellion and disorder had to some extent spread in the neighbouring kingdom and at a time like the present great care should be exercised in the Colony in controlling matter which might cause trouble to a neighbouring friendly power. It was no excuse for the publisher of a paper to say he was joining the sentiments of others; therefore he was not to be

blamed. He would be blamed, and it was the intention of the Legislature to do its utmost to stop it. If a man did so he did so at his own risk. It had been held in England that no person could cast reflections on neighbouring rulers, beyond reasonable criticism.

The evidence of the Court translator was then taken.

Answering Mr. Jenkin, witness said it was the view of the Chinese citizens that a monarchical government was not wanted.

Mr. Jenkin this afternoon cross-examined Chief Detective Inspector Morrison and asked if he read the papers.

Witness answered in the affirmative. "Do you read the 'China Mail'?" asked Counsel.

Witness again answered "yes" but, in reply to another question as to whether he saw last night's issue he said, "No," as he was engaged on other police work.

Witness therefore did not see that in "China Mail" of last night Yuan Shi Kai was referred to as "a serpent's egg," and a traitor, and that he had broken his oath.

The jury were absent only a few seconds and returned a verdict of not guilty. Prisoner was discharged.

CANTON INSURANCE DIVIDENDS.
FINAL OF \$7 AND INTERIM OF \$18.

We are officially informed that the General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., will, at the forthcoming meeting of Shareholders to be held on Wednesday, the 3rd proximo, declare a final dividend of \$7 per share in respect of the Working Account for the year 1914, and add \$3,000 to the Sterling Reserve Fund; \$400,000 to Underwriting Suspense Account, and \$203,010.00 to the Reinsurance Fund; and they will further declare an interim dividend of \$18 per share in respect of the Working Account 1915 and carry forward the sum of \$2,460,782.55.

CANTATA AT UNION CHURCH.
A large congregation was present at Union Church last night to hear the Cantata "Olivet to Cavalry" given by a choir of upwards of forty voices. The soloists were Miss Wilks (soprano), Mr. H. E. Muriel and Mr. S. Gray (baritone), and Mr. J. Goodall and Mr. Handiside (tenors) and the whole interpretation was very praiseworthy indeed, reflecting no little credit on the organist, Mr. E. J. Chapman, who was responsible for its production. The baritone recitative by Mr. Muriel in the second half of the Cantata was a distinct feature. The chorus was composed of the choir of Union Church, assisted by the Wesleyan Church choir and other friends. The collection was in aid of the new organ fund.

FINANCIAL NOTES.
The Governor at to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$65,351 in aid of the following votes:—

Public Works, Recurrent:—	
Miscellaneous:—	
18 (a) Stores Depreciation—	
Amount to be written off	
value of the Dredger St.	
Enock	\$ 7,500
Upkeep of Plant	11,000
Public Works, Extraordinary:—	
Hongkong:—	
Buildings:—	
Married Quarters	4,500
Guol Extension	2,351
Communications—Roads:—	
Paving of Main Roads	10,000
Drainage:—	
Training Nullah, Wongnei-chung Village	4,400
Training Nullah, Magazine Gap	1,500
Training Nullah, Aberdeen	1,500
Kowloon:—	
Drainage:—	
Miscellaneous Drainage Works	3,000
Training Nullah, Waterloo Road	2,600
Miscellaneous:—	
Repairing and Coaling Yard for Government Launches	12,000
New Territories:—	
Communications—Roads:—	
Castle Peak to Sha Tau Kok	
Bridge over Au Tau Creek	4,000
Drainage:—	
Miscellaneous Drainage Works	1,000
Total	\$65,351

The Governor also recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$2,718.95 in aid of the Exhumation at Mount Davis Cemetery.

LUSITANO RECREATION CLUB.
The Lusitano Recreation Club will hold their tenth athletic meeting on the Race Course, Happy Valley, on Easter Monday.

There will be cash sweeps on some of the races, the commission to go to the Tobacco Fund, which fund will also benefit by receiving the profit on the sale of programmes.

Lady Amy has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at the conclusion of the meeting.

LATEST EDITION.

STOP PRESS NEWS.

AMERICA & GERMANY.

THE NOTE SENT.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—President Wilson has sent a Note warning Germany that unless attacks in violation of international law against merchantmen carrying Americans is stopped, diplomatic relations will be severed.

LATER.
The Note is regarded as practically an ultimatum. Although it does not contain a time limit, an immediate answer is demanded.

President Wilson thinks the question at issue is one for all neutral nations.

BRITISH EXCHEQUER BONDS.

LONDON, April 20.—Mr. McKenna stated in the House of Commons that to the end of April over £16,000,000 sterling Exchequer Bonds have been sold to half a million applicants.

ZEPPELIN PILOTS KILLED.

LONDON, April 20.—Mr. Tennant has stated in the House of Commons that since January 1st four pilots have been killed and one injured in Zeppelin raids.

STEEL HELMETS.

LONDON, April 20.—Mr. Tennant, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said he understood that steel helmets were unsuitable for use in Mesopotamia.

THE NEW LIQUOR DUTIES.

A WORD FOR THE LICENSED DEALERS.

H.E. the GOVERNOR, speaking at a meeting up the Legislative Council this afternoon referred to the recently imposed additional liquor duties. He said he would like to refer to the remarks he made at the last meeting of the Council concerning the increased liquor duties. He then said that somehow or other information of the increase had leaked out and he said he did not know where to lay the blame and that probably the result would be a loss to the revenue. He would now like to say that investigations show that although the information leaked out and although advantage was taken of the information by some persons, the licensed dealers—that was to say, the merchants of the Colony—were in no wise concerned with the withdrawal from bond of liquors in order to escape duty. He would like to mention that, because people might think that they had been responsible for a certain loss of revenue which would have accrued.

CHAOTIC CONDITION OF KWANGTUNG.
Since he was speaking on the subject of revenue he would like to mention that owing to the unhappy condition of affairs in the neighbouring province, they were likely to suffer a great loss in connection with the conservancy contract. As they were aware, it brought them in considerable revenue; they sold the soil to the cultivators of mulberry trees in the Shumtak district. It had been impossible for some days to deliver the soil and instead of getting a revenue of about £4,000 and £5,000 a month they had to incur the expense of conveying the stuff out of the Colony and dumping it into the sea. The resultant loss was somewhere between \$9,000 and \$10,000 a month. That, of course, was a mere fraction in comparison with the loss entailed by the chaotic condition in which the Kwangtung Province now found itself.

FIGHTING AT KONGMOON AND SUNHUI.
RICE FAMINE THREATENING.

Telegraphic communication with Kongmoon has been cut. Information reaching Hongkong this morning is to the effect that about 300 of General Lung's troops held a strong position on Dog Hill, resisting continual attacks by National Defence troops, who finding themselves unable to take the hill by storm, have encircled it with part of their girdle, and on the 19th inst. sent the other part to attack the city of Sunhui (situated about six miles from Kongmoon). The Chai Kwan (General Lung's troops) are about 300 strong at this place also. Fighting continued there the whole day. Reinforcements for the Chai Kwan are on their way from Canton and are expected to reach Sunhui to-day.

A rice famine prevails in the villages of the Sunhui district. One dollar buys only five catties. The Sunhui Commercial Society in Hongkong is considering means of getting rice to the district to save the villagers from starvation.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

CABINET CRISIS IN ENGLAND.

A "NATIONAL DISASTER" THREATENED.

LONDON, April 19.

Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that he regretted that there were still material points of disagreement in the Cabinet, and if these were not settled by agreement the result must be the break-up of the Government.

The Government, he added, is united in believing that such an event would be a national disaster of the most formidable kind.

There were general cheers from the Liberals and many from the Unionists, but there was some faint dissent.

Mr. Asquith added that he is in hope that this may be averted by a few days' more deliberation and for that purpose the House would adjourn till Tuesday.

Sir Edward Carson said that while he regretted delays in the important question of requiring he would be the last to suggest that time should not be given to enable further counsel to be obtained. He made no criticism of the course pursued by Mr. Asquith and would be satisfied if the position of his own motion was not prejudiced.

Mr. Asquith, replying to a question, said he thought he could assure the House that there would be no further delay beyond Tuesday.

DISCUSSION IN HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, April 20.

In the House of Lords, a resolution was moved by Lord Milner in favour of General Compulsion. The noble lord strongly contended that it was the only possible way out of the recruiting difficulty. He considered that compulsion, supported by a majority of Britons, was simple, honourable and just.

Lord Crewe emphasised the complexity of the problem. The Government had been obliged to view the question from every possible angle. He hoped they would be able to make a statement to-day.

CURRENT RUMOURS.

LATER.

The excitement in the Lobby yesterday was reminiscent of the Irish crisis, members remaining and discussing numberless rumours long after the House had risen.

This was reflected in the perplexing and contradictory statements in the papers, which, however, agree that the Cabinet is confronted with an extraordinarily difficult position. On the one hand, Mr. Lloyd George and the Unionist members of the Cabinet will resign unless general compulsion is adopted, and on the other hand the Labourite Ministers will go if the Cabinet decides in favour of general compulsion.

Moreover, while the War Office is represented as insistent on compulsion, it is stated that the Admiralty has emphasised that the needs of the Fleet must be first considered in the recruiting modifications. "More" men cannot be spared from the shipyards.

A POSSIBLE COMPROMISE.

LATER.

The Times states that late last night a new Recruiting Committee consisting of Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Kitchener, Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Henderson reached a compromise to the effect that general compulsion will not be adopted now, but later if it is required in the national interest. It is believed that this will be approved by the Cabinet to-day. But some politicians believe that the crisis will recur after Easter.

The Daily Chronicle takes a gloomy view. It declares that some resignations are inevitable to-day. Mr. Asquith may boldly decide to carry on by a reconstruction on a Liberal and Labour basis, while among the possibilities is the creation of a Unionist Government, including Mr. Lloyd George. This would involve a general election in the month of May.

This view, however, was apparently contradicted by the late development of a compromise.

AMERICA AND GERMANY

RELATIONS ON THE VERGE OF RUPTURE.

ARMY RESERVE OF A MILLION MEN DECIDED UPON.

WASHINGTON, April 20.

The statement is made by officials that the President will fully advise the House of the Foreign Affairs Committee of Congress before breaking off relations with Germany.

It is significant that President Wilson invited these Committees and the Republican Congressmen to a Conference at White House on the morning prior to the President's departure for the Capitol.

The President's address to Congress is believed to be a strong indictment of Germany's lawlessness, despite her pledges.

The call for a joint session has electrified Congress, officials and diplomats.

Almost immediately afterwards the Senate passed a Bill providing for an Army reserve of a million men.

The consensus of opinion is that breaking point is nearer than ever before.

THE BRITISH AIRCRAFT SITUATION.

LORD CURZON'S REPORT.

LONDON, April 19.

Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that Lord Curzon, on behalf of the Government, has carefully examined the whole aircraft situation and presented a Report recommending large changes in organisation, which the Cabinet is considering. He could not say when a decision would be reached.

FIRE AT LISBON.

ENORMOUS DAMAGE.

LISBON, April 20.

Enormous damage was done by the fire at the Naval School. The Government has ordered an inquiry.

NOTHING NEW FROM VERDUN.

PARIS, April 19.

A communiqué reports only a fairly lively bombardment east of the Meuse.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

LONDON, April 20.

The Norwegian steamer *Tegelen* has been sunk. The crew were saved.

THE WITTENBURG TYPHUS CAMP.

DOCTORS' HEROIC SERVICES RECOGNISED.

LONDON, April 20.

In recognition of services at the typhus-stricken British prisoners-of-war camp at Wittenburg the following awards are announced.

K.C.M.G.—H. E. Priestley.

D.S.O.—A. C. Vidal, and J. L. Lander.

CHINESE LABOUR FOR FRANCE.

LONDON, April 20.

The Paris Correspondent of the *Morning Post* says it is proposed to introduce Chinese labour into France. An experimental batch of 5,000 is expected in June. They will be employed in the Colonies under agreement for three years.

AN INVESTITURE.

LONDON, April 20.

A party of Indian officers attended an Investiture at Buckingham Palace.

A DENIAL.

LONDON, April 20.

Sir S. Jameson denies that he is replacing any Unionist member of the War Committee.

GERMANY'S WAR AGAINST NON-COMBATANTS.

OVER THREE THOUSAND BRITISH LIVES LOST.

LONDON, April 19.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Boscawen stated that 3,117 British non-combatants, including 1,170 passengers, had lost their lives through the enemy's submarine and mine.

BIG BATTLE IN GALICIA.

DESPERATE GERMAN ATTACKS.

FAIL.

PETROGRAD, April 20.

A communiqué states that large forces of the enemy desperately assaulted Popovomogila, in Galicia on the 18th inst. One attack alone had a front of a mile and a half.

All were repulsed with heavy losses.

When the Russians carried Popovomogila on the 18th inst., they captured vast quantities of firearms, cartridges, and bomb-throwers.

RUSSIAN PROGRESS WEST OF ERZERUM.

PETROGRAD, April 20.

A communiqué states that the Russians west of Erzerum dislodged the Turks from a series of strongly fortified positions.

AERIAL ACTIVITY ON ITALIAN FRONT.

ROME, April 19.

Official reports show aerial briskness in the northern Adriatic.

Four French and Italian hydroplanes, escorted by torpedo-boats, effectively bombarded military points near Trieste.

Austrian aeroplanes appeared on the return journey but they were beaten off.

Enemy aeroplanes attempted to approach Venice last night, but were driven off by anti-aircraft guns. One was brought down and the crew captured.

GERMAN PIRATE SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

LONDON, April 20.

A telegram from Wilmington, Delaware, states that a German stowaway who was discovered on board the British steamer *Matoppe* has been sentenced to imprisonment for life for piracy.

The *Matoppe* was proceeding on a voyage from New York to Vladivostok. An earlier telegram reporting the stowaway's arrest said: "The German attempted to assume command by the aid of two revolvers. He admits that he was a German spy and that he had been ordered to blow up the ship; but he refrained from doing so owing to the presence on board of the Captain's wife and daughter. The Captain is convinced that the man was formerly in the German Navy."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

FALL OF TREBIZOND.

A GREAT BATTLE.

CO-OPERATION OF RUSSIAN FLEET.

PETROGRAD, April 19.

The official communiqué recording the capture of Trebizond says that the united efforts of the army and fleet were crowned with success by the capture of the most important fortified town on the Anatolian coast.

The Caucasian troops, after a bloody encounter on the 14th inst., on the river Kartadarasi, unceasingly pressed on the heels of the Turks, surmounting terrible obstacles in the face of furious resistance. The Russians, under cover of the fleet, effected a landing, the warships powerfully assisting the artillery.

A WELCOME "EASTER EGG."

LATER.

Only optimists expected General Yudenich, the conqueror of Erzerum, to present Russia an "Easter egg" in the shape of Trebizond where the Turks were known to have an army corps. It was expected that the Turks would defend the town most desperately, as it is the starting point of the great caravans eastwards.

The success is a triumph of the co-ordination of the fleet with the Caucasus army and the Russian forces holding the Turks in the heart of Asia Minor. The Turks, believing that the recent appearance of the cruiser *Breslau* in the Black Sea would cause the Russian fleet to abandon co-operation with the land forces, constructed no shore batteries. Not anticipating a naval bombardment they limited the defences to elaborate wire entanglements. These were demolished by a vigorous bombardment by the warships, and an infantry attack followed.

When the Turkish resistance in the Bahur region is overcome there will be no further obstacle to the junction of the two groups of Russian armies on the coast and west of Erzerum, and resistance to the solid advance of the front based on the sea, will be useless. The Turks in Mesopotamia will then be cut off.

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

DURING the summer months children are subject to disorders of the bowel, and should receive the most careful attention. As soon as any natural looseness of the bowels is noticed Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy should be given. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon.

H.E. the Governor, Sir F. HENRY MAY, K.C.M.G., presided. There were also present:

H.E. Major General F. VANTERS, General Officer Commanding.

The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. CRAIG STERN.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. KEMP.

The Director of Public Works, Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G.

The Secretary of Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. E. R. HARRIS.

The Captain Sept. of Police Hon. Mr. McI. MESSER.

Hon. Mr. Wai YUK, C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. D. LAMPAL.

Hon. Mr. LAY CHOW PAK.

Hon. Mr. F. F. HODGKIN.

Mr. A. G. M. FARRAR, Clerk of Council.

THE LATE SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

The Colonial Secretary asked leave to lay on the table letters and resolutions touching the death of Sir Thomas Jackson and a reply from Lady Jackson as under:—

Stansted House.

2nd February, 1918.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to acknowledge your letter of 31st December, and must ask you please to convey to His Excellency the Governor and to the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong, my sincere thanks for their most kind Resolutions of sympathy, and their touching appreciation of Sir Thomas Jackson.—I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,

S. A. R. JACKSON.

TO PUNISH INCEST.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the punishment of incest," the object of which was to introduce the provisions of the Punishment of Incest Act 1908.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

MORE LEGISLATION CONTROLLING TRADING WITH ENEMIES.

An Ordinance to provide for the extension of the Restrictions relating to Trading with the Enemy to Persons to whom, though not resident or carrying on Business in Enemy Territory, it is by reason of their Enemy Nationality or Enemy Associations expedient to extend such Restrictions" was introduced by the Attorney-General.

The "Objects and Reasons" state:—The bill is to apply in Hongkong the provisions of the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Act, 1915, which gives His Majesty power to prohibit trading with persons and bodies of persons in enemy territory or in territory in the occupation of the enemy (other than persons or bodies of persons residing or carrying on business solely within His Majesty's dominions) whenever by reason of the enemy nationality or enemy association of such persons or bodies of persons it appears to His Majesty expedient to do so.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

COLONIAL REGISTRATION.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a bill to provide for the registration of certain persons.

The object of the Bill is to provide for the registration of all persons in the Colony other than the following:—

(a) Persons already under direct Government control, and the wives and daughters of such persons;

(b) Persons of Chinese nationality;

(c) Persons not exceeding 18 years of age.

The Bill applies to all persons except:—

(1) Members of His Majesty's Regular Naval or Military Forces;

(2) Civilians in the permanent employment of the Colonial Government or of the Naval or Military authorities;

(3) Members of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, Hongkong Volunteer Reserve, Hongkong Police Force or Special Police Reserve;

(4) The wives and daughters of persons included in any of the three classes specified above;

(5) Persons of Chinese nationality;

(6) Persons not exceeding 18 years of age.

The Attorney General said it was not possible to circulate the bill before the meeting and he proposed to take the first reading, then in order to avoid calling a special meeting.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

FACILITATING MARRIAGES.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to facilitate marriages between British subjects resident in the Colony and British subjects resident in other parts of His Majesty's dominions, the object being to enable the marriage to be celebrated immediately on the arrival of the intended spouse from the Colony or from the United Kingdom as the case may be. It provides for the recognition, for the purpose of marriage, in the United Kingdom, of certificates of notice of marriage issued in other parts of His Majesty's dominions, and it enables certificates for marriage to be issued in the United Kingdom for the purpose of marriage in other parts of His Majesty's dominions. These provisions, however, in the case of any particular colony, depend on the Act being applied to that colony by Order in Council, and a condition precedent to the issue of any such Order in Council is the enactment of reciprocal legislation in that colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

THE LOCAL YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Polishwalla & Kotwell, cotton yarn brokers, of Hongkong, in their circular issued yesterday state:—

Barring two or three parcels that went through in the beginning of the fortnight, there has been next to nothing in the way of business the period throughout. Business discussion has given precedence to speculation as to the final outcome of the political chaos which has unhappily spread throughout the length and breadth of China, bringing life and property into jeopardy. The entire trade has come to a dead halt, and the crisis has been precipitated by the smart rise in exchange which is expected to go still higher. The fates seem to have conspired against the market. The near future is gloomier than ever and there is no option for the dealers and importers alike but to wait and watch the trend of events. Total sales 500 bales. Rates may be taken to have reached \$2.3 per bale. Sold and unsold stocks in godowns, 58,000 bales.

This bill contains the local legislation which is necessary before an Order in Council can be issued applying the Act to the Colony of Hongkong.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

FINANCES FOR 1915.

There was also laid upon the table a statement of the financial returns for 1915 which showed a debit balance of \$432,880.84 on liabilities over assets.—A statement of expenditures on works chargeable to Loan Funds was as under:—

Railway Construction up to 31st December, 1914.....	\$14,000,000.00
During 1915.....	506,340.68
Total up to 31st December, 1915.....	\$14,506,340.68

Advanced from Special Fund (\$1,100,000 as above).....	\$11,539,618.78
Charged to Special Expenditure, Railway Department.....	3,066,388.59
Total.....	\$14,506,340.68

The Colonial Secretary said that in the unavoidable absence of the Hon. Colonial Treasurer, he thought it was desirable to make a short statement on the assets and liabilities of the Colony as they now appeared. From the statement of assets and liabilities on Dec. 31st, 1915, it would appear at first sight that a very unfavourable change took place during the year. Honourable members would remember that the balance of assets over liabilities from 31st Dec. 1914, was \$2,910,473. In the return now submitted a debit balance of \$432,880.84 was shown—an apparent loss of \$3,363,159. In the assets on December 31st last no credit had been taken for the loan of \$250,000 which the Colony was authorised to raise, and it was not now proposed to raise that loan. The loan stood in the Treasury books at \$2,790,697 and prior to the closing of the railway special account in September a sum of \$3,062,389 had been spent over and above the sum derived from the Wuchang Loan. That was to say a sum of \$2,790,697, and in addition a sum of \$271,692 had been expended on the railway. After September it was arranged in any event to meet capital expenditure out of the revenue. The assets and liabilities had been drawn up in the same form as last year a balance of assets over liabilities on December 31st last would therefore have been \$3,062,389 credit in respect of the railway; less a sum of \$432,880.84, the actual debit balance now shown. That was the balance of assets over liabilities would have been a sum of \$2,629,508. He thought that honourable members would agree that the form now adopted showed the state of their finances with greater clearness than had been the case hitherto. In his speech on the estimate H.E. the Governor estimated the balance of assets on December 31st last would be reduced to \$1,862,832 taking the figures then adopted. The actual figures he (the speaker) had shown were \$2,629,508, and the Colony was therefore more than seven lakhs better off at the end of last year than was expected when the estimates were arranged.

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No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th April, will be subject to rent.

All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown where they will be examined on TUESDAY, 25th April, at 10 a.m.

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K. DOI, Acting Agent.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be examined at the Company's Godown on WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst. Claims against the steamer must be filed with the Company within 10 days of the arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by CHINA MAIL S. S. Co., Ltd.

O. B. BUTLER,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 15, 1916.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONGKONG.

Good Friday.—Liturgy and Ante Communion, 10 a.m.; Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.; Special Service, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; Evening and Address, 5.30 p.m.; Special Music, 8.15 p.m.

The Collection at the Cathedral will be for the Fund for Blind Soldiers and Sailors and for the Cathedral Organ Fund.

Easter Eve.—Evensong 5.30 p.m.

Easter Day, April 22nd, at the Cathedral.—Holy Communion 7 a.m., 8.30 a.m. (Choral), and 12 noon. Matins and Sermon by the Lord Bishop 11 a.m.; Evensong and Sermon by the Chaplain 5.30 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week. Holy Communion 8 a.m. and Intercessions 10.15 a.m.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Good Friday.—11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.

Easter Day.—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10.30 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon; 6 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

UNION CHURCH, KENNEDY ROAD.

Service on Good Friday at 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

SPORTING.

TENNIS.

OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

NG SZE KWONG BEATS HANCOCK.

H. Hancock, the finalist of the upper half of the Open Championship Singles, certainly failed to give Ng Sze Kwong, in the concluding match last evening, a fair indication of his knowledge of the game. He went down badly before a less forcible opponent and his defeat can be attributed, not so much to the exhibition of Ng Sze Kwong as to his own weakness and unreliability in this particular match. Hancock seemed to be affected greatly by the heat and there was none of that vim about his play that won for him the many strenuous games he had won before reaching the final.

His fore arm work was feeble; thus and again he would drive into the net through bad judgment; while no reliance could be placed in his slices and cuts from the back line, Ng Sze Kwong, possessing marvellous agility, was all over the court returning what appeared to be the most impossible ball. Only once, occasionally did Hancock touch the ground in his game and at these times he had his opponent "beat". The fault was that Hancock did not force the play as he should have done and what happened to Hancock happened to him also, for he was beaten in the first three sets and the energy which he had reserved was wasted. Ng Sze Kwong, proved in his match with Nibbet that to go through five sets required immense stamina and he adopted the tactics displayed in that match, playing on the point when the game was young; almost from the outset Hancock appeared to have only a remote chance of winning. Both men played a slow and somewhat tedious game that contained hardly any brilliant exchanges. When Hancock volleyed hard, Ng Sze Kwong would counter to hit to various points and then he cleverly won Hancock down and then took advantage of every available opportunity to force a vigorous exchange from the back line and then smash. But his smashes were usually weak and gave Hancock splendid chances of benefiting his score but for some reason or other he could not successfully retaliate. Ng Sze Kwong led from the word "go" and when the second set was half way through, Hancock shook his head in despair, humming balls, check balls, slices and serves were all the same to Ng Sze Kwong; he was there and returned—generally timid—efforts that should have caused a player of Hancock's standing no anxiety whatever.

Literally it was a walk over for the Chinese. After winning the first set 7-5, he fought hard and took game after game. He excelled in this set while Hancock was seriously worried because his returns would not mount the net. The set was won by 6-1, a feature being the clever way in which the Chinese player took a number of games when they were 40-love against him. He played up during many hot exchanges and forced the games to unlimited lengths, but only two of the set was he able to claim game. The set went to Ng Sze Kwong by 6-2.

Ng Sze Kwong has now to meet Green the holder of the championship, and considering the different styles of the men and Green's hard play the latter should win. Ng Sze Kwong must, however, not be taken too easily.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Green and Ng Sze Kwong will meet on Wednesday April 26th.

OTHER FINALS.

The Veterans' Final between H. W. Blad and Dr. Rock v. Hastings and Edwards will be played tonight.

The final of the Mixed Doubles between S. H. Dowell and Miss Wilkinson v. Mr. and Mrs. Nibbet will be played to-night.

Green and Claxton v. Crisp and Hamilton will play the final of the Professional Pairs on April 26th.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kama Maru. From London March 11.—To Hongkong, Rev. O. E. Hicks, Mrs. J. A. Tarrant and Miss Tarrant, Miss A. Arnold, Miss Arradell, To Shanghai, Miss J. E. Anderson, Miss H. L. Blawie, Mrs. E. A. Picketman, Miss E. C. McDermid, Miss O. A. M. Kell, Mrs. Noble, Miss W. Watney, Miss W. Burdison, Miss B. N. Lagus, Miss A. Hoare, Miss G. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown and 2 children, Miss G. E. H. v.

Per P. & O. s.s. Eumelia. From London March 15.—To Hongkong, Rev. and Mrs. O'Connell and 2 children, Mrs. Martin and 2 children, Mr. W. M. Black, To Shanghai, Miss M. N. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr. Lavery.



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To-day's Advertisements

THE SOENGKEI RAMPAH RUBBER CO., LTD. (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of Section 183 of the Companies Ordinance 1914 that a General Meeting of the members of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. WILKINSON and GIBBS, Solicitors No. 9 Queen's Road Central Hongkong at 12 o'clock Noon on MONDAY the 22nd day of May, 1916 for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator; and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the amount of remuneration to be paid to the Liquidator, and the manner in which the books accounts and documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated the 20th day of April, 1916.
A. DENNISON,
Liquidator.

LUSITANO RECREATION CLUB.

TENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

PATRONS.

H. R. C. M. C. H. E. J. MASON-GENERAL VENTURES, His Lordship D. ROZDOL, The Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G. The COMMITTEE have much pleasure in inviting the Ladies and Gentlemen of the Colony to their Sports at the Race Course (by kind permission of the Secretary of the Hongkong Jockey Club) on EASTER MONDAY, 24th inst., commencing at 1 p.m.

Lady MAY has very kindly consented to distribute the Prizes at the conclusion of the Sports.

There will be one open event—220 yards Championship open to all bona fide Amateurs in the Colony under the rules of the A.A.A. 81.00.

By kind permission of the officers, the Band of the 74th Punjab will play during the afternoon.

By courtesy of the Management there will be special train cars.

J. O. REMEDIOS,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1916. 563

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 26th April, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 3, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

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As Follows:—Carpets and Rugs, Upholstered Seats, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Card Tables, Bed-room Furniture, Brass Bedsteads, Double and Single Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Dining Table, Dinner Wagon, Extension

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TO LET—FURNISHED. LA HACIENDA WEST, 72 THE PEAK, for 5 or 6 months from Middle May. Apply:—W. MURRAY SCOTT. Hongkong, April 18, 1916. 556

TO LET. FIRST CLASS SHOP in Chater Road; whole or part; lane at rear. Apply:—CLARE & CO. Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1916. 43

TO LET. HOUSE in Kowloon Terrace. THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., Ltd. Hongkong, April 15, 1916. 542

TO LET. OFFICES in Princes Building. Apply to:—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Liquidators. RUTHER BROCKMANN & Co. Hongkong, April 15, 1916. 542

TO LET. OFFICES, 5 Diddell Street. THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., Ltd. 123

TO LET. From 1st May. OFFICES, 2nd Floor, St. George's Buildings. Apply to:—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 511

TO LET. THREE-ROOMED FLATS in Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon. FOUR-ROOMED FLATS in May Road, with every modern convenience, including English Bath and Kitchen Ranges, Hot Water and Water Carriage System. A few flats specially designed to accommodate three bachelors at reasonable rentals. Immediate possession.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES in Gordon Terrace and Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon. TWO ROOMED-FLATS in Nathan Road, Kowloon. Apply to:—HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCIAL COMPANY, LIMITED, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, Dec. 27, 1915.

STEAMERS EXPECTED. The P. & O. S.S. Co. s.s. Nagoya left Shanghai for this port on the 17th April, at a.m. with the home-ward English Mails, and is due here on the 21st April, at about daylight.

Other Vessels. The Ben Line s.s. Benaron, from Middlesbrough, left London, left Singapore for this port on the 19th April, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 19th April.

The Royal Mail S.P. Co. s.s. Monmouth, from Middlesbrough, due here on the 19th April.

The Royal Mail S.P. Co. s.s. Carmarthen, from England, due here at the end of May.

Temperature. Hongkong, April 20, 1916.

Barometer 9 a.m. 29.89 1 p.m. 29.75 4 p.m. 29.75

Thermometer 9 a.m. 74 1 p.m. 77 4 p.m. 77

Wet bulb 9 a.m. 72 1 p.m. 75 4 p.m. 75

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

April 19. Kama, Norwegian str., 243 S. Falk. Mats, Saigon April 14, Rice.—CHINESE.

Tibet, Dutch str., 2333 E. H. Kruze. Kobe April 14, General.—JAPA-CHINA JAPAN LUN.

Trishu Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,538. Akashi, Dutch April 12, Coal.—M. E. R.

April 20. Luchow, British str., 1,221, J. Gibbs. Shanghai April 17, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Shanghai, Dutch steamer, 1,573, T. Bauer. Singapore April 13, General.—JAPA-CHINA JAPAN LUN.

Anna, Norwegian str., 1,017, Arutzen. Bangkok April 13, Rice.—CHINESE.

Kwongming, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES. April 20. Kachidate Maru, for Milke. Nippon Maru, for Tokio & San Francisco. Tanaka Maru, for Hoihow.

Yatsushiro, for Moji and Kobe. Chiyomaru, for Canton. Rampon Maru, for Shanghai and Japan.

Taiho Maru, for Canton. Fawcett, for Saigon. Kwongming, for Shanghai.

Luchow, for Canton. Katsung, for Singapore and Calcutta.

CLEARED. Oanya, for Shanghai and Yokohama. Benzen Maru, for Chienamp. Changchow, for Swatow and Bangkok.

Tong Hong, for Singapore. Java Maru, for Singapore and Bombay. Bander Maru, for Milke.

PASSENGERS. ARRIVED. Per Luchow, from Shanghai, Mr. Maas, Mrs. Young, Dr. Hiden, Capt. Owen, Mr. Rodrigues.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Luchow from Shanghai reports: Light winds and fine.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. EASTER HOLIDAYS.

Good Friday the 21st, Saturday the 22nd, Monday the 24th April being General Holidays, the Post Office will be open on those days from 9 to 9 a.m.

There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection from the pillar boxes on each day. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

There will be one special delivery of Registered Correspondence on Saturday and on Monday at 9 a.m.

On and after the 20th inst., Mails for Taipei, P.O., Sham Chun, Sham Chun Train Mail Agent will be dispatched from Kowloon British P.O. daily as under:—

Tai Po 9.30 a.m. and 3.18 p.m., Sham Chun P.O. 12.10 and 3.18 p.m., Sham Chun Train Mail Agent 8.05 a.m. and 12.10 p.m.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Japan, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Aguilar Radio Telegraph Station:—Empress of Asia Porthos Tallyhavin Nagoya

Inward Mails. Shanghai, Nagoya, 21st April. Europe (via Negapatam), Porthos, 21st April. Shanghai, Yinchow, 21st April.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via NAGASAKI, HONOLULU, U.S.A., SOUTH AMERICA, CANADA via SAN FRANCISCO & UNITED KINGDOM via CANADA (Europe via Siberia).

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SHARE REPORT.

APRIL 20TH, 1916.

Stock and paid up Value	Official Quotations 11.30 A.M.	Last Dividend and date.	Return based on last year's div.	
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$757 1/2 b.	Div. £4 6 and bonus 5/- s/c 1915	6 1/2 p.c.
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton	\$ 50	\$425 b.	\$4 final a/c 1915, \$18 Interim a/c 1916	6 p.c.
North China	\$ 25	T. 192	15 s/c 1916	5 1/2 p.c.
Unions	\$100	\$933 x.d.	Final of \$80 and bonus \$10 a/c 1916. Interim of \$30 a/c 1915	6 1/2 p.c.
Yangtze	\$ 50	\$985 x. d. ex 73	Final of \$15 making \$18 for 1916 and int. of \$6 on account 1915	7 1/2 p.c.
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire	\$ 20	\$157	\$7 and bonus \$2 for 1915	3 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire	\$ 50	\$395 b.	\$27 for 1916	6 1/2 p.c.
SHIPPING.				
Douglas Steamships	50	\$135 sa. & b.	\$5 Int for 1915/1916	3 p.c.
Steamboats	\$ 13	\$22 1/2	\$1 for 1915	5 p.c.
Indo-China:— (Combined)	\$10	\$175	Int. 3/4 for 1915 on preferred shares	4 p.c.
(Preferred)	\$49 s.		Int. 3/4 for 1915 on deferred shares	
(Deferred)	\$128 s.			
"Shell" Transports	21	96 1/2 s.	2 1/2 a/c 1915 Coupon 25	
"Star Ferry"	\$ 10	\$39 b.	\$1.50 dividend 40 cents Bonus for year ending 30/4/15	5 1/2 p.c.
REFINERIES.				
China Sugars	\$100	\$110 1/2 b.	\$12 for 1915	
Luzon Sugars	\$100	\$35 s.	\$5 for 1915	
MINING.				
Kallang	\$21	55 1/2 s.	2 1/2 a/c 1915. Coupons Nos. 5 & 6	
Langkat	\$10	T. 31 b.	Tls. 1 for 1915	
Rauba	\$21	\$3 b.	2 1/2 a/c 1915	
Trench Mines	\$21	40 1/2	1/2 interim 1915	
Ural Caspian	\$21	35 1/2		
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GEOWARDS.				
Kowloon Wharves	\$ 50	\$73 b.	\$2 1/2 for 1915	4 1/2 p.c.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks	\$ 50	\$123 1/2 b.	\$5 a/c 1915	4 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Docks	T. 100	T. 73 b.	Tls. 3 for year ending 30/4/15	
Hongkew Wharf	T. 100	T. 90	Tls. 3 for 1915	5 1/2 p.c.
HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Hotels	\$ 50	113 b.	\$5 a/c 1915	
Central Estates	\$100	\$99 s.	\$7 a/c 1915	8 p.c.
Hongkong Lands	\$100	\$104 b.	\$7 a/c 1915	
Humphreys Estates	\$ 10	\$7 sa. & b.	35 cents for 1915	6 p.c.
Kowloon Lands	\$ 50	\$33 b.	\$2 1/2 for 1915	12 p.c.
West Point	\$ 50	\$88 1/2	\$2 1/2 a/c 1915	7 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Lands	T. 50	T. 95	12 1/2 for 1915 and 1 tael bonus	
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewoe	T. 50	T. 140	Tls. 18 for year ending 31/10	11 p.c.
Shanghai Cottons	T. 50	T. 87 b.	Tls. 8 div. & Tls. 1 1/2 bonus for year ending 30/6/15	7 1/2 p.c.
Kung Yik	T. 10	T. 12 1/2 b.	Tls. 1 1/2 for 1915	12 p.c.
Yangtsepoos	T. 5	T. 5 1/2		
MISCELLANEOUS.				
China-Boonee	\$ 12	\$10 s.	85 cts. for 1914	8 1/2 p.c.
Light & Powers	\$ 5	\$4.60	6 p.c. for year ending 23/2/06	9 p.c.
China-Providents	\$ 10	\$9.10 sa.	70 cents for 1915	7 p.c.
Dairy Farms	\$ 6	\$30 s.	\$1.25 for year ending 31/7/15	4 1/2 p.c.
Green Islands	\$ 10	\$470 s.	60 cents for 1915	6 p.c.
Hongkong Electric	\$ 10	\$49 b.	\$2 for 1914/1915	5 p.c.
Hongkong Ice	\$ 25	\$171	\$11 a/c 1915	
Hongkong Ropes	\$ 10	\$37	\$3 a/c 1915	5 p.
Hongkong Tramways	5/	\$6 x. d. b.	30 cents a/c 1915	5 p.c.
Morning Poets	\$ 25	\$22	\$2 for 1915	8 p.c.
Peak Tramways	\$ 10	\$19 b.	7 1/2 a/c for 1914/1915	7 p.c.
do. (new)	\$ 1	85 cts. b.		
Steam Laundry	\$ 5	\$3 1/2	25 cents for 1914/1915	7 p.c.
Union Waterboats	\$ 10	\$15 1/2	\$1 for 1915	5 1/2 p.c.
Watson	\$ 10	\$7.10 b.	60 cents for 1914	10 p.c.
William Powell	\$ 7	\$7 1/2	50 cents for 1913/1914	7 1/2 p.c.